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## PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

### SCHEDULED MEETINGS

*Wednesday, 11 December 1996*

#### SECURITY COUNCIL

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| 11.30 a.m. | consultations of the whole (closed) | Consultation Room |

Recommendation for the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations

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| 3.30 p.m. | consultations of the whole (closed) | Consultation Room |

Angola (S/1996/1000)*

Tajikistan (S/1996/1010)

Other matters

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* To be followed by a formal meeting.

#### GENERAL ASSEMBLY

*Fifty-first session*

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| 3 p.m. | 80th PLENARY MEETING | General Assembly Hall |

Operational activities for development [98]: commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the operations of the United Nations Children's Fund.

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| 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. | informal soundings (closed) | Conference Room 6 |

*Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/51/3 (Part II), Chapter V, Section E) (item 12)*

Informal soundings *with Member States only* on the question of the participation of non-governmental organizations in all areas of the work of the United Nations will be undertaken by H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan).

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| 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. | informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 8 |

*Informal consultations conducted by H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria) on draft proposals submitted under item 21:*

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance:

(a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (A/51/L.45);

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions (A/51/L.26 and L.48).

## Committees

### SECOND COMMITTEE

*Informal open-ended consultations*

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| 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. | closed meeting | Conference Room 7 |

Informal open-ended consultations by the Chairman of the Committee to discuss the work of the Second Committee during its fifty-first session with a view to suggesting possible future modalities of work of the Committee.

### FIFTH COMMITTEE

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| 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. | 39th meeting | Conference Room 3 |

1 United Nations common system [121] (E/1993/119 and Add.1; A/50/30 and Add.1; A/C.5/50/23; A/51/30; A/C.5/51/24 and A/C.5/51/25 and Corr.1)

*Conclusion of general discussion*

2 United Nations pension system [122] (A/51/9 and Corr.1; A/51/644 and A/C.5/51/4)

*Conclusion of general discussion*

3 Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [137] (A/C.5/51/30 and A/51/7/Add.5)

*Introduction and general discussion*

4 Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [139] (A/C.5/51/29 and A/51/7/Add.5)

*Introduction and general discussion*

5. Financing of the United Nations peace-keeping forces in the Middle East [123]: (a) United Nations Disengagement Observer Force; and (b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

*Action on draft decisions A/C.5/51/L.14 and A/C.5/51/L.15*

6. Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991): United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission [125]

*Action on draft decision A/C.5/51/L.16*

7. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [116]

(a) The situation in Central America: programme budget implications of draft resolution A/51/L.18 (A/C.5/51/32)

(b) Request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (A/C.5/51/33)

(c) International action to combat drug abuse and illicit production and trafficking: Programme budget implications of the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in its report A/51/611 (A/C.5/51/36)

(d) Elaboration of an International Convention to Combat Desertification: programme budget implications of the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in its report A/51/605/Add.1 (A/C.5/51/39)

8. Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission [124] (A/51/494 and Add.1-2 and A/51/700 and Corr.1)

*Introduction and general discussion*

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| 3 p.m.-6 p.m. | informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 5 |

Informal consultations on agenda item 114 (Programme planning (A/51/6 (Perspective), A/51/6 (Note), A/51/6 (fascicle), A/51/6 (Prog.9)/Rev.1, A/51/6 (Prog.11)/Rev.1, A/51/16 (Parts I and II), A/C.5/51/10 and Add.1, A/C.5/51/19, A/C.5/51/26, A/C.5/51/27, A/C.5/51/31, A/C.5/51/28 and A/C.6/51/8 and Add.1 and 2))

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| 6.30 p.m.-9.30 p.m. | informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 5 |

Informal consultations on agenda items 121 (United Nations common system (E/1993/119 and Add.1, A/50/30 and Add.1, A/C.5/50/23, A/51/30, A/C.5/51/24 and A/C.5/51/25 and Corr.1)) and 122 (United Nations Pension System (A/51/9 and Corr.1, A/51/644 and A/C.5/51/4))

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| 9.30 p.m.-12.30 a.m. | informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 5 |

Informal consultations on agenda items 124 (Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (A/51/494 and Add.1-2 and A/51/700 and Corr.1)) and 116 (Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 (A/C.5/50/57 and Add.1, A/50/7/Add.16, A/51/7/Add.1, A/C.5/51/21 and A/51/7/Add.2))

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## ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

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| 10.30 a.m.-1 p.m. | closed meeting | Conference Room 10 |
| 3 p.m.-6 p.m. | closed meeting | Conference Room 10 |

*Subjects*

1. Harmonization of budgets: UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF
2. Draft reports

## DISARMAMENT COMMISSION

*1996 organizational session*

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| 10 a.m.-1 p.m. | 208th meeting | Conference Room 4 |

## ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMME OF ASSISTANCE IN THE TEACHING, STUDY, DISSEMINATION AND WIDER APPRECIATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

*Thirty-first session*

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| 3 p.m.-6 p.m. | closed meeting | Conference Room 6 |

[The membership of the Committee is as follows: Canada, Colombia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Ghana, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Jamaica, Kenya, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Portugal, Russian Federation, Sudan, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America and Uruguay.]

## MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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### *Wednesday, 11 December 1996*

**GROUP OF 77**
*(Fifth Committee matters: items 119 and 114)*

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| 9.15 a.m.-10 a.m. | closed meeting | Conference Room 5 |

**NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT**
*(on First and Fifth Committees matters: discussion of the amendments of the European Union to proposals of the Non-aligned Movement on Programme 1 of the medium-term plan (disarmament and decolonization) (item 114))*

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| 9.15 a.m.-9.45 a.m. | closed meeting | Conference Room 8 |

**ASIAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE**

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| 10 a.m.-1 p.m. | closed meeting | Economic and Social Council Chamber |

**GROUP OF 77 OF THE WHOLE**
*(at the ambassadorial level)*
*(on the preparation of the South-South Conference on Finance, Trade and Investment)*

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| 10 a.m.-1 p.m. | closed meeting | Conference Room 1 |
| 3 p.m.-6 p.m. | closed meeting | Conference Room 1 |

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**Informal meeting**

There will be an informal (closed) meeting on agenda item 56 (The situation in Bosnia-Herzegovina) *today*, 11 December 1996, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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*Commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the operations of the United Nations Children's Fund*

The plenary meeting of the General Assembly devoted to the commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the operations of the United Nations Children's Fund, which will be held in the General Assembly Hall *today*, 11 December 1996, at 3 p.m., will be immediately followed by an informal segment. The informal segment will be hosted by UNICEF Executive Director, Carol Bellamy, and the Special Representative, Roger Moore. It will include the participation of other UNICEF celebrity spokespersons and musical performers and statements by other UNICEF partners.

Members of delegations, Secretariat staff, non-governmental organization and the media are invited to attend.

## FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

*Thursday, 12 December 1996*

### GENERAL ASSEMBLY

*Fifty-first session*

10 a.m. 81st PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe [38]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/489 and Add.1);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.52);

   (c) Amendment (A/51/L.54).

2. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations: note by the Secretary-General (A/51/521) [7].

3. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [21]:

   (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions:

      (i) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/51/315, A/51/353, A/51/528);

      (ii) Draft resolutions (A/51/L.27/Rev.1, L.37/Rev.1, L.50/Rev.1);

      (iii) Draft decision (A/51/L.43).

   (d) Assistance to the Palestinian people:

      (i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/171-E/1996/76);

      (ii) Draft resolution (A/51/L.41).

4. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity [42]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/386);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.19/Rev.1).

5. Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986 [51].

6. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security [52].

7. Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait [53].

8. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations [54].

9. Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte [57].

10. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina: report of the Fifth Committee (A/51/710) [153].

11. Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium: report of the Fifth Committee (A/51/711) [154].

12. Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force: report of the Fifth Committee (A/51/712) [155].

3 p.m. 82nd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: report of the Third Committee (A/51/609) [100].

2. Crime prevention and criminal justice: report of the Third Committee (A/51/610) [101].

3. International drug control: report of the Third Committee (A/51/611) [102].

4. Advancement of women: report of the Third Committee (A/51/612) [103].

5. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women: report of the Third Committee (A/51/613) [104].

6. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions: report of the Third Committee (A/51/614) [105].

7. Promotion and protection of the rights of children: report of theThird Committee (A/51/615) [106].

8. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People: report of the Third Committee (A/51/616) [107].

9. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: report of the Third Committee (A/51/617) [108].

10. Right of peoples to self-determination: report of the Third Committee (A/51/618) [109].

11. Human rights questions: report of the Third Committee (Part I) (A/51/619) [110]:

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments: report of the Third Committee (Part II) (A/51/619/Add.1);

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms: report of the Third Committee (Part III) (A/51/619/Add.2);

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives: report of the Third Committee (Part IV) (A/51/619/Add.3);

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action: report of the Third Committee (Part V) (A/51/619/Add.4);

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: report of the Third Committee (Part VI) (A/51/619/Add.5);

12. Question of the elaboration of an international convention against organized transnational crime: report of the Third Committee (A/51/620) [158].

13. Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Third Committee (A/51/608) [12].

**Committees**

FIFTH COMMITTEE

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| 10 a.m. | informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 5 |
| 3 p.m. | 40th meeting | Conference Room 3 |
| 6.30 p.m. | informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 5 |
| 9.30 p.m. | informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 5 |

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

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| 10 a.m. | 2nd meeting | Conference Room 8 |

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

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| 10.30 a.m. | closed meeting | Conference Room 10 |
| 3 p.m. | closed meeting | Conference Room 10 |

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The tenth session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee for the Elaboration of an International Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa, will be held in New York from 6 to 17 January 1997. The provisional agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in document A/CONF.241/62.

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**Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA**

The Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session 1997 on Tuesday, 17 December 1996, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Interested delegations are invited.

The first regular session 1997 of the Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA will be held from 13 to 17 January 1997 in Conference Room 3. The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan are contained in document DP/1997/L.1. Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the Secretariat of the Executive Board (906-5776) as soon as possible, but no later than 2 January 1997.

# MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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The Group of 77 of the Whole will hold meetings *(at the ambassadorial level)* on the preparation of the South-South Conference on Finance, Trade and Investment on 12 and 13 December 1996 in the morning and in the afternoon in Conference Room 1.

The Group of 77 will hold meetings *(on Fifth Committee matters)* on 12 and 13 December 1996 at 1.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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**Informal consultations**

States Signatories to the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-ban Treaty will hold informal consultations regarding the work of the Preparatory Commission on Tuesday, 17 December 1996, at 3 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Palais des Nations, Geneva.

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**Informal briefings**

There will be an informal briefing on matters pertaining to the fourth session of the Intergovernmental Panel on Forests, under the chairmanship of the Co-Chairman, Sir Martin Holdgate (United Kingdom) and Mr. Manuel Rodriguez (Colombia), on Monday, 16 December 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

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The Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the United Nations will hold a briefing on the Micro-credit Summit (Washington, D.C., 2-4 February 1997) to be chaired by H.E. Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations, on Wednesday, 18 December 1996, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1. Mr. Sam Daley-Harris, Summit Director, will make a presentation on the preparation and documentation of the Summit. Copies of the last draft Plan of Action to be adopted at the Summit will be available at the meeting.

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**Presentation**

The Society for International Development and the Office of Development Studies of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) have organized a presentation where H.E. Ambassador Dr. Ernst Sucharipa, Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations, will speak on the topic of "An Integrated Follow-Up to United Nations Conferences: A Human Rights Perspective." The lecture will take place on Thursday, 12 December 1996, at 5.30 p.m. in the Hank Shannon Conference Room (DC1 21st floor). All members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat Staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and media are invited to attend.

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**Dialogue**

The High Commissioner for Human Rights (Centre for Human Rights), the Division for the Advancement of Women and UNICEF will sponsor a dialogue on children's rights and women's rights with Ms. Akila Belembaogo, Chairperson of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, and Ms. Ivanka Corti, Chairperson of the Committee on the Rights of the Child, on Friday, 13 December 1996, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff, non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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## Announcement

The latest revised synthesis text on an Agenda for Development (A/AC.250/CRP.2/Rev.1) can be found on the Internet at website: http://www.un.org/dpcsd/dpcea/agenda.htm.

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**Announcement**

As from 4 December 1996, and for the rest of the month, there will be an informal briefing at 3 p.m., in the Press Briefing Room S-226, by the Presidency of the Security Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council on those days when consultations of the whole are scheduled in the morning. When consultations take place in the afternoon, the briefing will be held immediately after the conclusion of the consultations.

# SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

*Tuesday, 10 December 1996*

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

78th plenary meeting

*Statements on the occasion of Human Rights Day*

The President made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

*Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-first regular session of the General Assembly and allocation of items: fourth report of the General Committee (A/51/250/Add.3)* **[8]**

**The General Assembly decided, on the recommendation of the General Committee, to include in the agenda of the current session an additional item (Observer status for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea in the General Assembly) and to consider it directly in plenary meeting.**

The Assembly also decided, on the recommendation of the General Committee, to include in the agenda of the current session an additional item (Proclamation of 21 November as World Television Day) and to consider it directly in plenary meeting, on the understanding that the General Assembly would determine when the item would be considered during the fifty-first session.

The representative of Italy made a statement, in the course of which he proposed that the item be considered by the General Assembly before its recess this month.

The General Assembly, on the proposal of the representative of Italy, decided that the item would be considered by the General Assembly before its recess this month.

*Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the first annual report of the International Criminal Tribunal (A/51/399-S/1996/778)* **[59]**

The General Assembly took note of the first annual report of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda.

Mr. Laity Kama, President of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania, South Africa, the Netherlands, Lesotho, Argentina, Tunisia, Belgium, Malaysia, Germany, Italy and Rwanda.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 59.

79th plenary meeting*

*Programme of work*

The General Assembly was informed that on Friday, 13 December, in the afternoon, the Assembly would consider agenda item 161 (Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization for Migration), agenda item 34 (Assistance in mine clearance) for the purpose of considering the draft resolution submitted under the item, agenda item 21 (c) (Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan) together with agenda item 39 (The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security), and agenda item 56 (The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina).

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* The remainder of the summary of the 79th plenary meeting will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/241).

## Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE 38th meeting

*Organization of work*

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement on the work programme of the Committee for the remainder of the session.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Cuba, Poland, Uganda, Indonesia, Ireland, Germany, Nepal, Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), China, New Zealand, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Belgium, Singapore, Ukraine, Pakistan, Algeria, the Philippines and Norway.

The Controller and the Secretary of the Committee responded to questions posed.

*Other matters*

The representative of France made a statement.

## SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

### [MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

*Convention on the Rights of the Child, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 20 November 1989*

*Accession:* Oman (9 December 1996)*

*International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods, concluded at Geneva on 21 October 1982*

*Accession:* Poland (6 December 1996)*

*Protocol amending article 1(a), article 14(1) and article 14(3)(b) of the European Agreement of 30 September 1957 concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR), adopted at Geneva on 28 October 1993*

*Ratification:* Poland (6 December 1996)*

*International Natural Rubber Agreement, 1995, concluded at Geneva on 17 February 1995*

*Provisional application:* United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (6 December 1996)*

*Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes, concluded at Helsinki on 17 March 1992*

*Ratification:* Latvia (10 December 1996)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Human Rights Day Observance

In observance of Human Rights Day, two panel discussions will take place on Thursday, 12 December 1996, in Conference Room 4. Ms. Charlayne Hunter-Gault, National Correspondent for "News Hour with Jim Lehrer" (PBS), will moderate.

The Secretary-General, Mr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, will deliver opening remarks at 10 a.m., followed by a panel on "Accountability and Impunity in Civil Strife". The second panel on "The Right to Development: Is Poverty An Abuse of Human Rights?" will start at 3 p.m.

Members of delegations, Secretariat staff, non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. The programme is organized by the Department of Public Information in cooperation with the Centre for Human Rights.

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### International Day of Disabled Persons

*Exhibition*

The Department for Public Information, in collaboration with the American Foundation for the Blind, has organized an exhibition entitled "Inspiration and Innovation: Helen Keller and the American Foundation for the Blind", to run until 31 December in the Public Lobby.

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